



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:)	
Tallman et al.)	
Application No.: 10/752,190)	Group Art: 3663
Filed: January 6, 2004)	
Title: MUNICIPAL UTILITY MAPPING SYSTEM)	Examiner: Tuan C To
AND METHOD)	

Honorable Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.131

We, Christopher R. Tallman, Gary W. Neumann, Joel T. Holloway, declare:

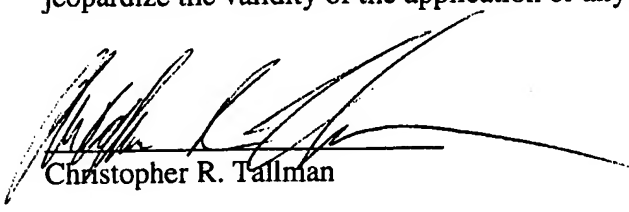
1. We, Christopher R. Tallman, Gary W. Neumann, Joel T. Holloway, are the co-inventors of claims 1-15 of the above-identified patent application ("the Invention").

2. Prior to October 16, 2002, we conceived the Invention, as evidenced by the attached Letters regarding the September 18, 2002, Indiana Association of Cities & Towns Annual Conference (Exhibit A) and Declaration of John W. Edwards, Vice-President of the assignee of the present application and our supervisor.

3. In September of 2002, we were completing a product for the town of Upland having maps including utility facilities that did not include the inventive features of having utility resources with associated utility instance data with instructions to display the associated utility instance data, and were in the process of developing such a system, which proves our conception of and diligent work on the Invention. At the Conference referenced in Exhibit A, we engaged in a series of internal discussions of possible improvements which lead to the conception of the invention disclosed in the present patent application. Mr. Edwards directed us to create such a system.

4. We continued to work diligently on the Invention through our delivery of an inventive system for the High Lake Pros product, and the U.S. patent application filing date of January 6, 2004.

5. We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.



Christopher R. Tallman

Gary W. Neumann



Joel T. Holloway



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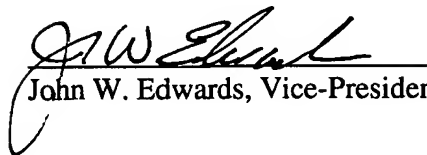
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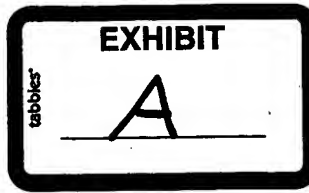
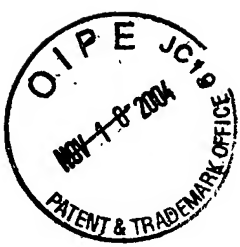
I John W. Edwards declare:

1. I, John W. Edwards, Vice-President of the assignee Bonar & Associates, Inc. of the above-identified patent application ("the Invention").
2. Prior to October 16, 2002, the attached Letters regarding the September 18, 2002, Indiana Association of Cities & Towns Annual Conference (Exhibit A) were received in the regular course of business in the development of software.
3. In September of 2002, Bonar & Associates, Inc. was completing a product for the town of Upland having maps including utility facilities that did not include the features of having utility resources with associated utility instance data with instructions to display the associated utility instance data, and was in the process of developing a system which included a layer configuration and utility resources with associated utility instance data with instructions to display the associated utility instance data. As Vice-President of Bonar & Associates, Inc. the inventors of the above identified application were involved in discussions of possible improvements to the system, and conveyed to me that they had conceived of such a system. I then directed the inventors to create a system embodying such an invention.
4. Bonar & Associates, Inc. continued to work diligently on the Invention through our delivery of an inventive system for the High Lake Pros product, and the U.S. patent application filing date of January 6, 2004.

5. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "JW Edwards", is written over a horizontal line.

John W. Edwards, Vice-President of Bonar & Associates, Inc.



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August 14, 2002

Mr. Joel Holloway
Bonar Group
616 South Harrison Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Dear Joel,

Thank you for agreeing to be a panelist for the "Effective Utility Management" workshop at the 2002 IACT Annual Conference. The workshop is planned for Wednesday, September 18 from 9:00-10:15 a.m. in the Council meeting room at the Westin Hotel in downtown Indianapolis.

Others on the panel include Ralph Harmon, Town of Kingsford Heights; Mark Jesse, Bonar Group; Lisa Lee, Ice Miller; and Chip Long, Town of Upland. Contact information in enclosed.

The workshop description reads:

Recent and future environmental regulations will require communities to manage and document their existing utilities differently than in the past. This workshop will provide a general description of the regulations that will require better knowledge of your utilities and show how keeping an inventory of your assets will lower operation and maintenance costs. Different ways of documentation will be discussed, as well as, community experiences.

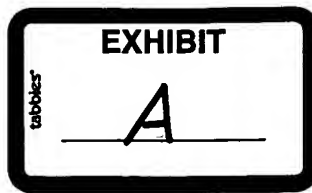
I have also enclosed an audio-visual request form. If you have any audio-visual needs, please return the form to Matt Brase or myself by September 6. If you will be providing your own equipment please let me know.

We appreciate you taking the time to speak at the IACT Annual Conference and know our members will benefit greatly from your expertise.

If you have any questions feel free to contact me at nhurt@citiesandtowns.org or call me directly at 317-237-6200.

Sincerely,

Natalie Hurt
Environmental Services Director



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October 10, 2002

Joel Holloway
Bonar Group
616 South Harrison Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Dear Joel,

Thank you for participating as a panelist at the 2002 IACT Annual Conference and Exhibition. Your participation helped make this year's conference an outstanding success, and we appreciate everything you did.

Your continued support of the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns is important to us and to our members. If there is anything I can do for you in the future, please let me know.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Natalie Hurt
Environmental Services Director